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A Note from the Publisher

Now that the 3-ring circus known as conventions is done for the year (for me anyway, Dave still has Atlanta to go to at this writing) I'm sincerely hoping that things will quiet down a bit. I don't imagine they will, I seem to have a knack for taking on more than I can comfortably handle at any time.

For those of you who are members of the fan club, please note that the August edition (Newsletter #12) has been delayed a bit and won't be out until September. Having seen the pre-production work that Karen has done on it, I think you will feel it's worth the wait. I must admit that some really fun times have been had at this office when Karen is thinking up new premiums for the fan club. She gets out all her catalogues, goes through Dave's artwork and always comes up with something original. Just wait till you see what comes with #12!

We've been getting some confusing mail lately. People who are on **one** of our mailing lists are sending us changes of addresses, but not telling us which list. If you subscribe, are in the Cerebus Fan Club, get review copies, or are a fellow professional and get complimentary copies, please let us know. If there's a number after your name, let us know. Karen has a lot of lists to go through to find out which list you're on. Thanks.

Some nice news is that the very first artist (after Dave, of course) that A-V published, Michael T. Gilbert, is doing a collaberation with Bill Loebs at Pacific Comics called Mr. Monster. I got a chance to see the artwork (courtesy of Michael T!) in San Diego this year. If you haven't decided to already, I'd check it out. This is gonna be a real fun story! Michael and Bill's art styles just seem to belong together!

I would like to take this chance to thank all the really nice folks who have written in to congratulate A-V on our expansion. Everyone here works hard, and believe me it's a work of love. But getting those letters can certainly put a zip in my day! So thank you all, it's always nice to know the work is appreciated.

Ronnie Poore wrote to ask a few questions that I thought everyone would like to know the answers to - so I thought I'd answer you here, Ronnie. So many folks have told me that Cerebus #21 is the only Cerebus they are missing. I can understand your impatience for Swords Vol. 6. It **should** be out in late October, but I'm making no promises. If you want to be sure you get one, start bugging your local shop owner now to order it. And send us the name of your local shop. I'm putting together a mailing list so that I can send this kind of news, and art, and promotional posters, directly. So why not send in you shop name now? I'm sure you'll be glad you did.

Congrats go out to Jonathan Dennis of Sunrise, Florida on his graduation from Nova University. Thanks for sharing such a moment with us, Jonathan.

I was going to, at this point, make some insightful remarks about this month's issue. Unfortunately, I have only seen one page of it, so I couldn't tell you a thing. I am certain, though, from how hard Dave has been working on it, that it is a winner. So why don't you and I just sit back and allow the surprises to come rolling passed us? See you next month.

Side note: I was just escorted to the studio to see the issue. I will caution you to sit down before you start reading. I get this feeling you are all getting what you've been asking for from Dave for some time now. YOU'VE BEEN WARNED!!!

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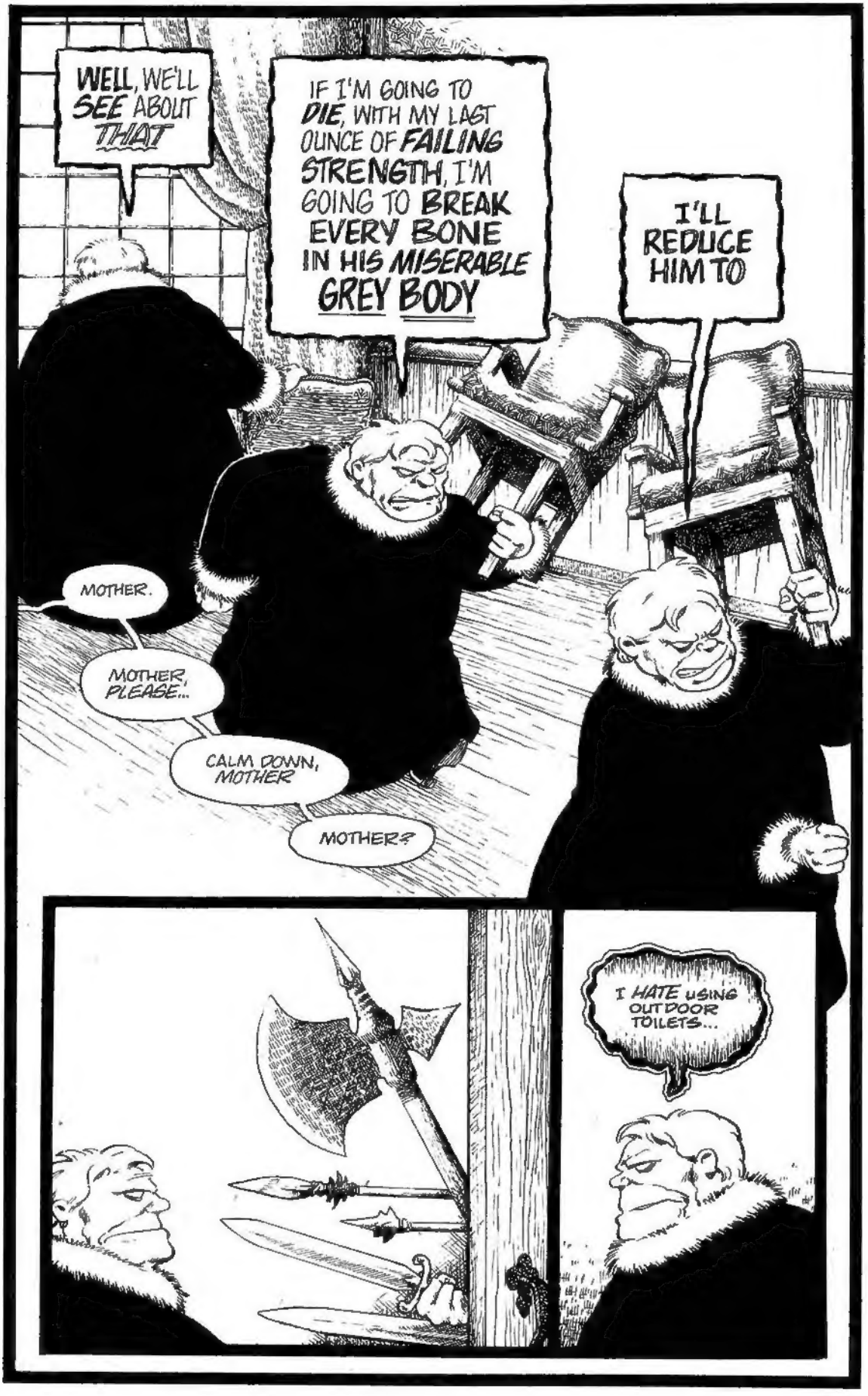
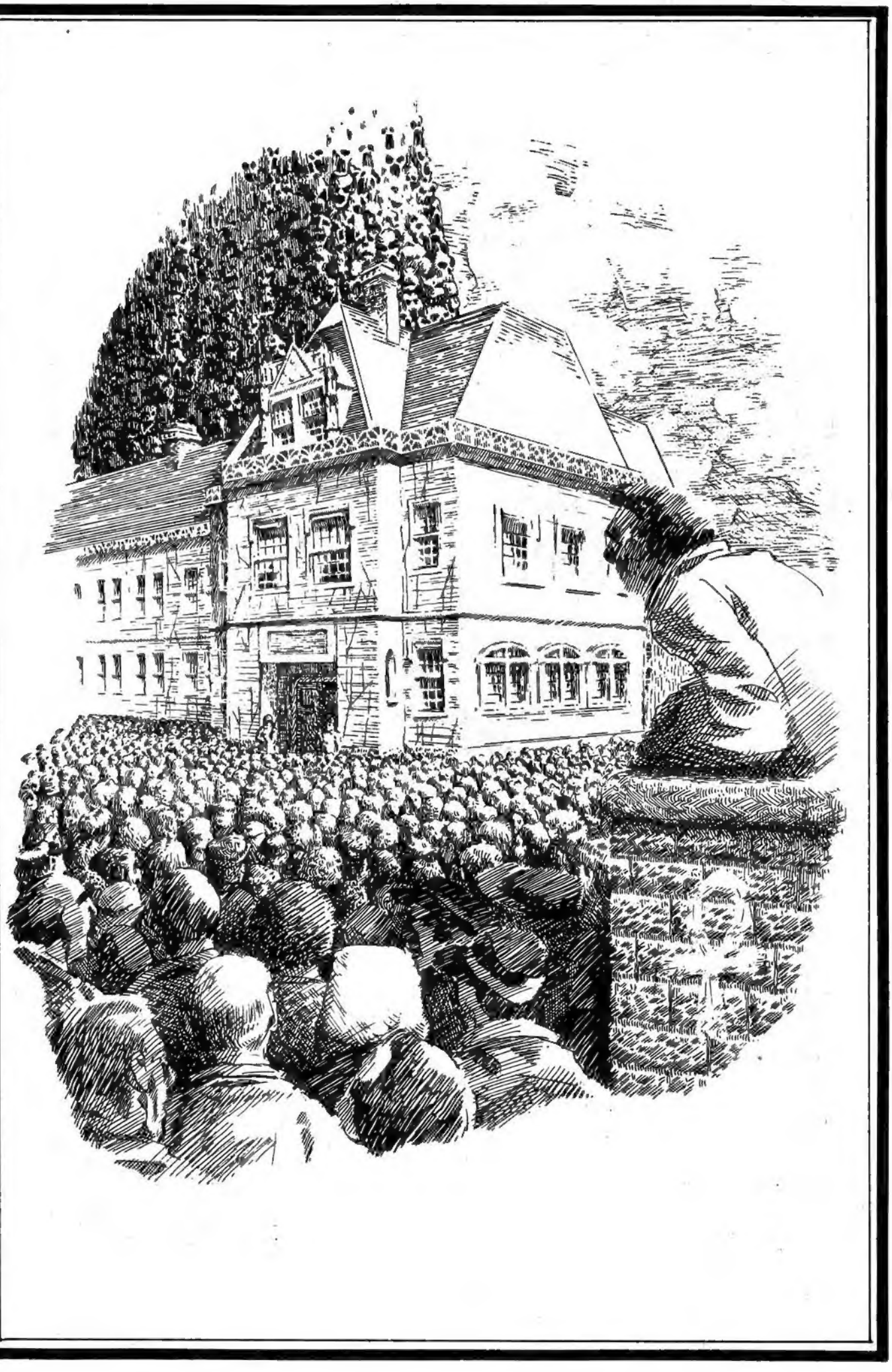
ANYTHING DONE FOR THE FIRST TIME UNLEASHES A DEMON

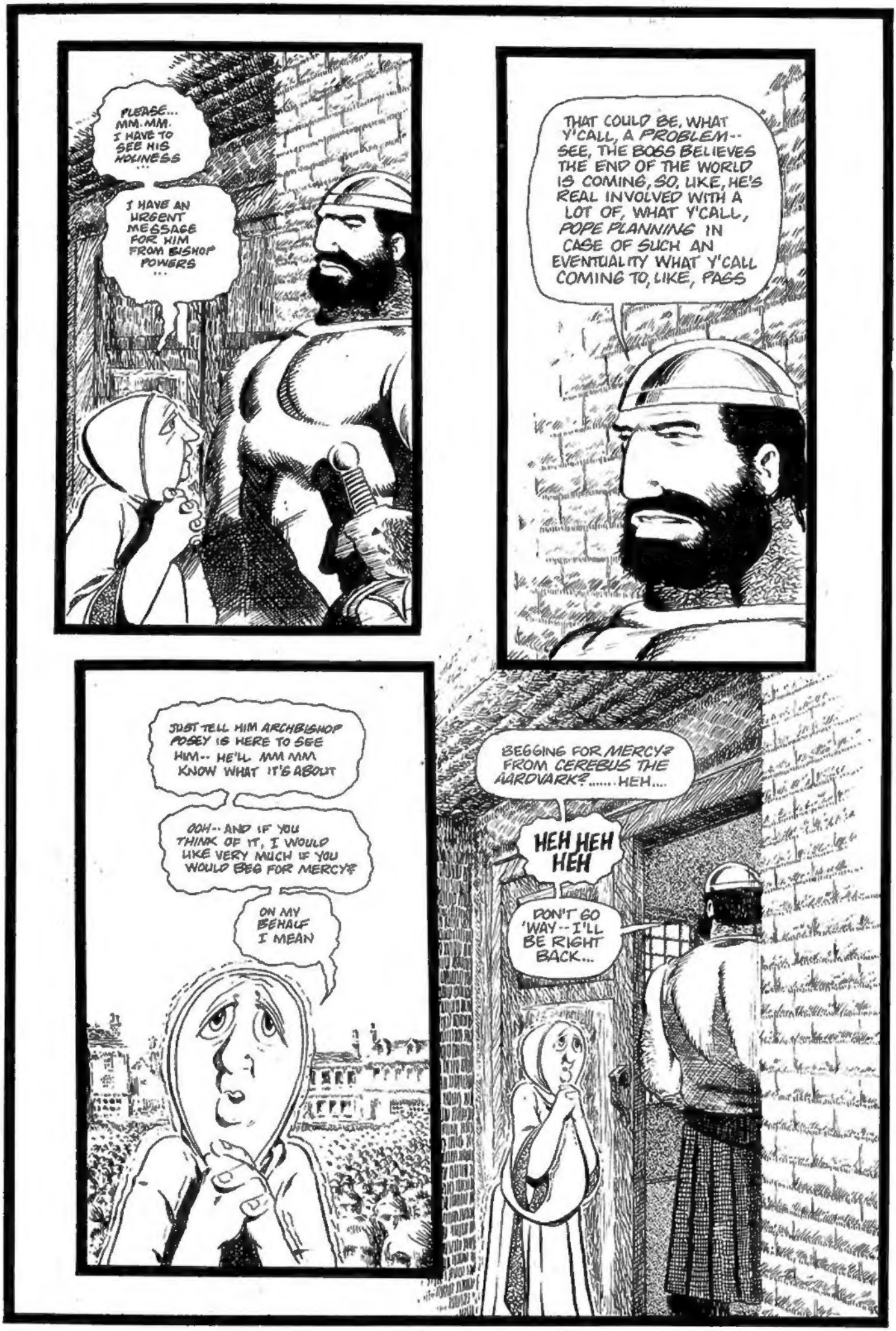
HE WHAT?
FROM WHAT INFORMATION WE'VE GATHERED, HE'S TAKEN HIS FAMILY TO A HOTEL ON THE EAST WALL
HE HAS A HANDFUL OF MERCENARIES SERVING AS PERSONAL GUARDS...
...UH...
OH. YES. THERE ARE SEVERAL THOUSAND PEOPLE GATHERED OUTSIDE THE HOTEL ...

GO AND GET HIM
BRING HIM TO ME, ARCHBISHOP. AND THIS TIME...
DON'T FAIL.
MM. MM. BUT... AS I TOLD YOU ...HE THREATENED ME WITH PHYSICAL HARM IF I...THAT IS...
DID HE NOW?
A GOOD TARIMITE WOULD BE CONFIDENT THAT THE LIVING TARIM WOULD KEEP HIM FROM HARM
PHYSICAL OR OTHERWISE...
YOU ARE A GOOD TARIMITE AREN'T YOU, ARCHBISHOP?
AB-AB AB-AB
GO NOW--AND MAY TARIM WATCH OVER YOU...

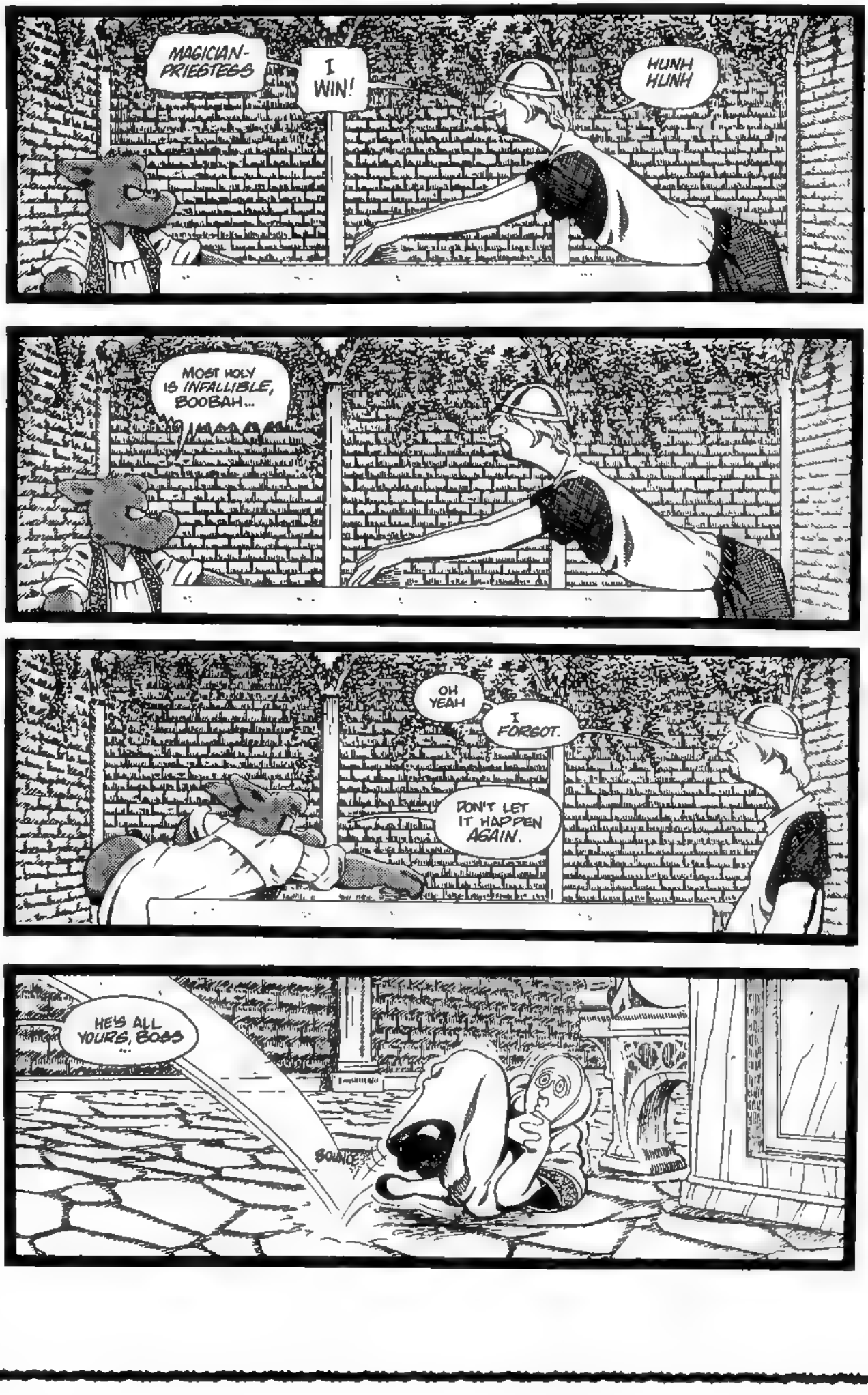
I HATE USING OUTDOOR TOILETS...
THEY'RE SO LOWER CLASS...
FOR SET'S SAKE, MOTHER. THE ONLY TIME YOU DIDN'T USE ONE WAS AT THE REGENCY...
WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS, ANYWAY? -- TELLING US TO STAY UP HERE IN THESE CRUMMY ROOMS...
HE'S THE POPE, MOTHER. HE HAS A LOT OF DECISIONS TO MAKE AND WE'D ONLY DISTRACT HIM...
DISTRACT HIM! I'D LIKE TO DISTRACT HIM ALL RIGHT -- THERE WERE DEAD BUGS IN MY PORRIDGE THIS MORNING
THOSE WERE RAISINS, MOTHER -- BUGS HAVE LEGS -- RAISINS DON'T
BATHING IN COLD WATER -- DRAUGHTY ROOMS -- HE JUST WANTS TO SEE ME DEAD...

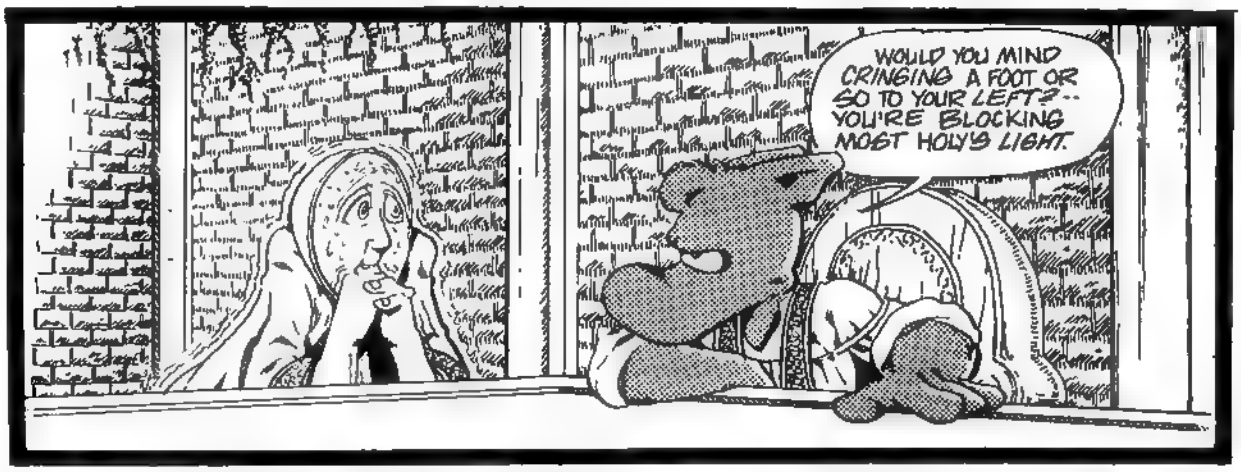

WELL, WE'LL SEE ABOUT THAT
IF I'M GOING TO DIE, WITH MY LAST OUNCE OF FAILING STRENGTH, I'M GOING TO BREAK EVERY BONE IN HIS MISERABLE GREY BODY
I'LL REDUCE HIM TO
MOTHER.
MOTHER, PLEASE...
CALM DOWN, MOTHER
MOTHER?
I HATE USING OUTDOOR TOILETS...



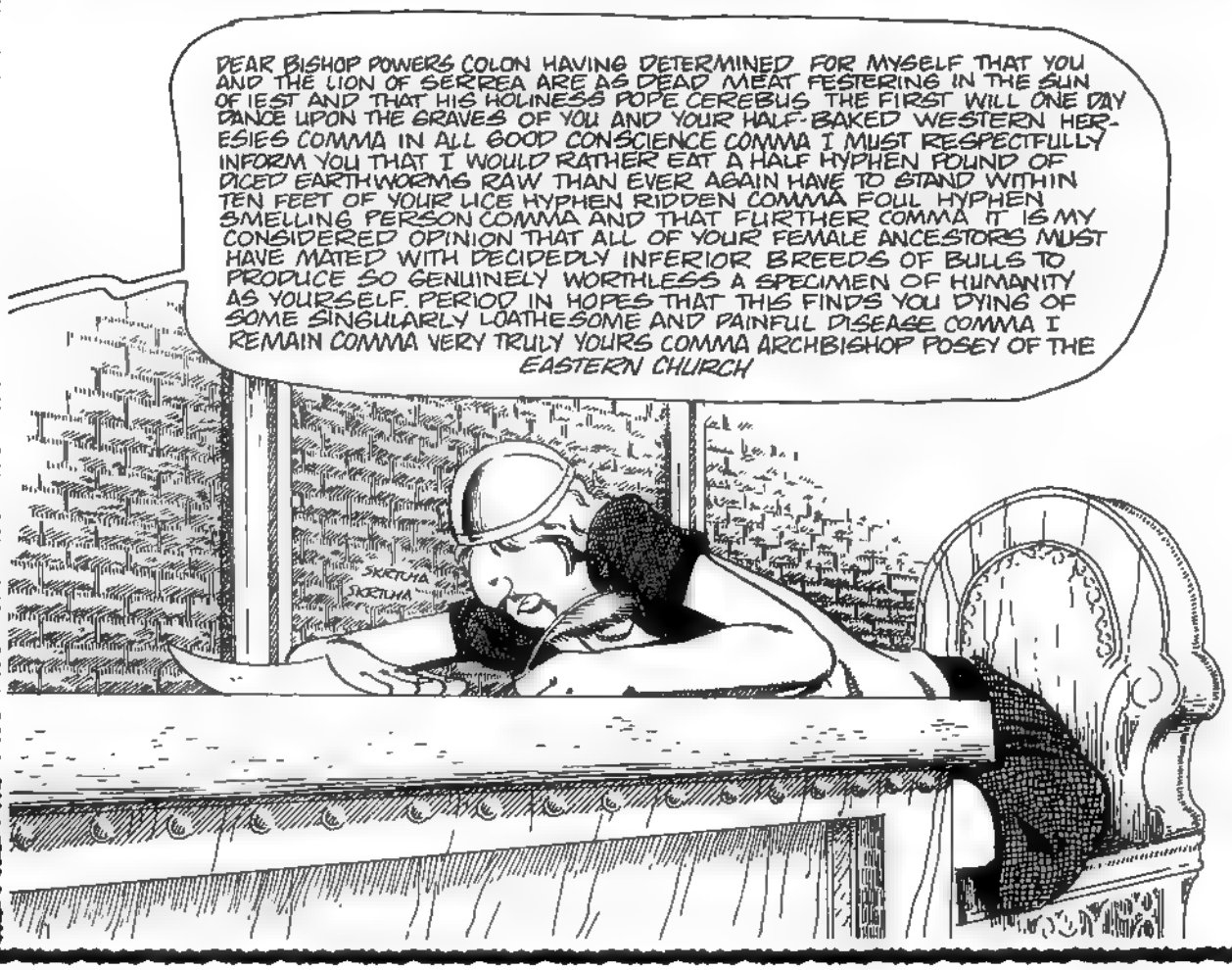

PLEASE... MM. MM. I HAVE TO SEE HIS HOLINESS ...
I HAVE AN URGENT MESSAGE FOR HIM FROM BISHOP POWERS ...
THAT COULD BE, WHAT Y'CALL, A PROBLEM-- SEE, THE BOSS BELIEVES THE END OF THE WORLD IS COMING, SO, LIKE, HE'S REAL INVOLVED WITH A LOT OF, WHAT Y'CALL, POPE PLANNING IN CASE OF SUCH AN EVENTUALITY WHAT Y'CALL COMING TO, LIKE, PASS
JUST TELL HIM ARCHBISHOP POSEY IS HERE TO SEE HIM-- HE'LL MM MM KNOW WHAT IT'S ABOUT
OOH-- AND IF YOU THINK OF IT, I WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH IF YOU WOULD BEG FOR MERCY?
ON MY BEHALF I MEAN
BEGGING FOR MERCY? FROM CEREBUS THE AARDVARK?..... HEH....
HEH HEH HEH
DON'T GO 'WAY-- I'LL BE RIGHT BACK...

MOST HOLY BETS FIVE CROWNS ...
WHAT IS IT, BEAR?
GUY OUTSIDE SAYS'IS NAME'S WHAT Y'CALL DAISY OR SOMETHIN'... HAS A MESSAGE F'YOU -- OH, AN' HE ASKED ME T'WHAT Y'CALL BEG F'MERCY
POSEY.
CARVE THE WORDS "BISHOP POWERS' MOTHER IS A HALF-BIT WHORE" INTO HIS FOREHEAD AND SEND HIM PACKING.
OKEY-DOKEY...
HOW DO YOU SPELL "WHORE"?
DOUBLE-YOU ...AITCH... OH ARE...
ON SECOND THOUGHT, SHOW HIM IN... MOST HOLY HAS A BETTER IDEA...
QUEEN-KING.


MAGICIAN-PRIESTESS
I WIN!
HUNH HUNH
MOST HOLY IS INFALLIBLE, BOOBAH...
OH YEAH
I FORGOT.
DON'T LET IT HAPPEN AGAIN.
HE'S ALL YOURS, BOSS...
BOUNCE


WOULD YOU MIND CRINGING A FOOT OR SO TO YOUR LEFT?-- YOU'RE BLOCKING MOST HOLY'S LIGHT.

THANKS.
BOOBAH-- TAKE A LETTER.


DEAR BISHOP POWERS COLON HAVING DETERMINED FOR MYSELF THAT YOU AND THE LION OF SERREA ARE AS DEAD MEAT FESTERING IN THE SUN OF IEST AND THAT HIS HOLINESS POPE CEREBUS THE FIRST WILL ONE DAY DANCE UPON THE GRAVES OF YOU AND YOUR HALF-BAKED WESTERN HERESIES COMMA IN ALL GOOD CONSCIENCE COMMA I MUST RESPECTFULLY INFORM YOU THAT I WOULD RATHER EAT A HALF HYPHEN POUND OF DICED EARTHWORMS RAW THAN EVER AGAIN HAVE TO STAND WITHIN TEN FEET OF YOUR LICE HYPHEN RIDDEN COMMA FOUL HYPHEN SMELLING PERSON COMMA AND THAT FURTHER COMMA IT IS MY CONSIDERED OPINION THAT ALL OF YOUR FEMALE ANCESTORS MUST HAVE MATED WITH DECIDEDLY INFERIOR BREEDS OF BULLS TO PRODUCE SO GENUINELY WORTHLESS A SPECIMEN OF HUMANITY AS YOURSELF. PERIOD IN HOPES THAT THIS FINDS YOU DYING OF SOME SINGULARLY LOATHESOME AND PAINFUL DISEASE COMMA I REMAIN COMMA VERY TRULY YOURS COMMA ARCHBISHOP POSEY OF THE EASTERN CHURCH
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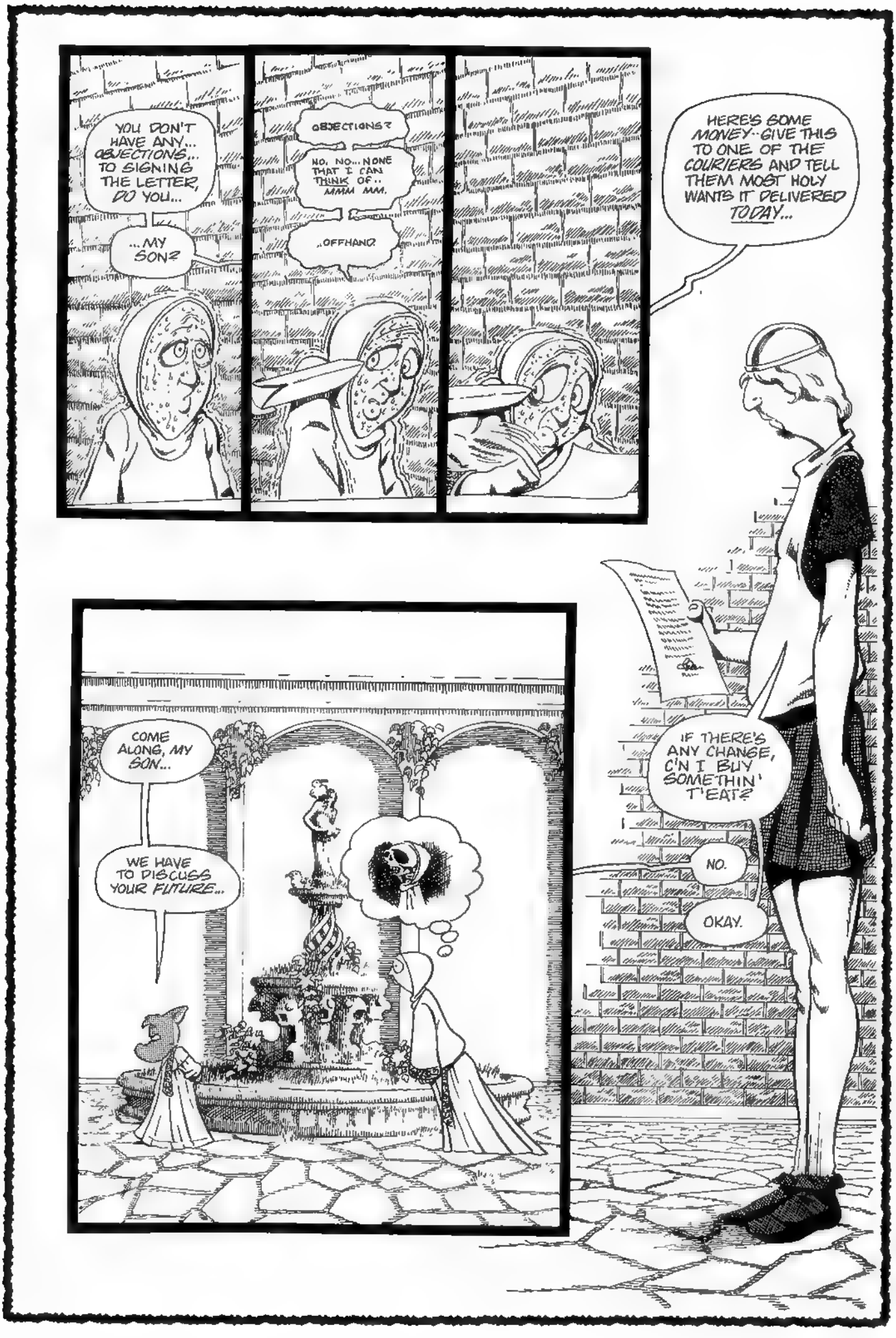
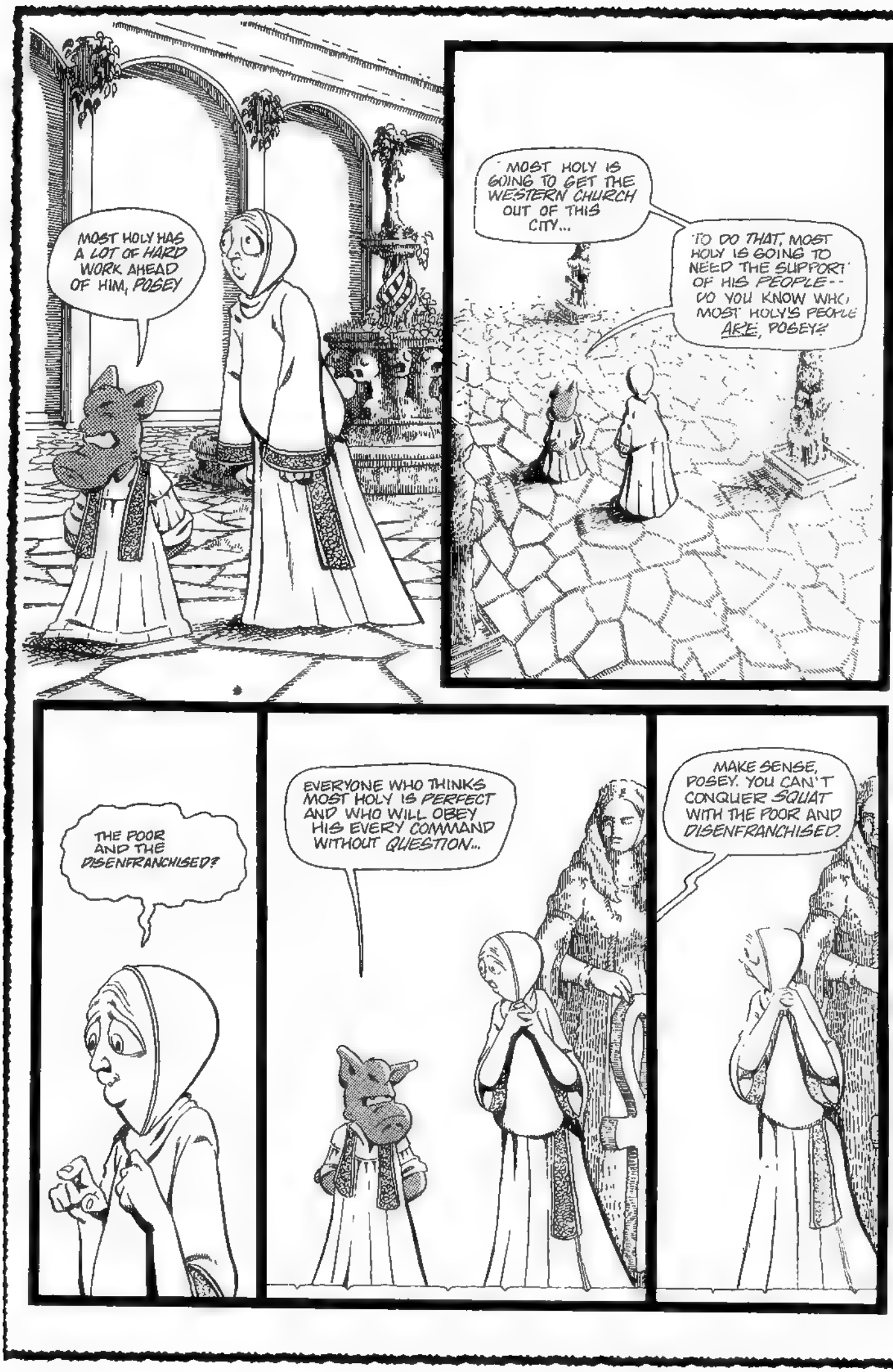
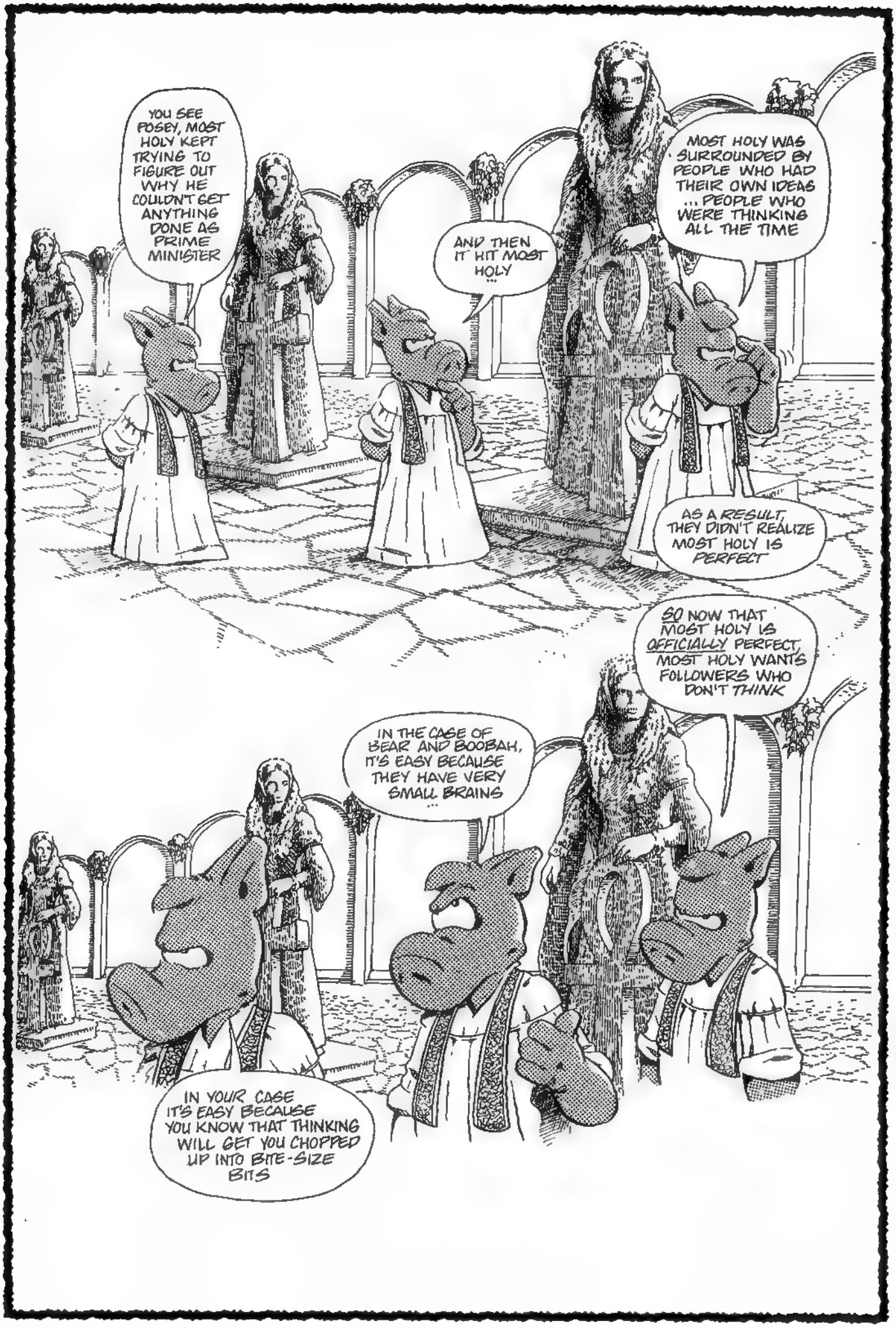
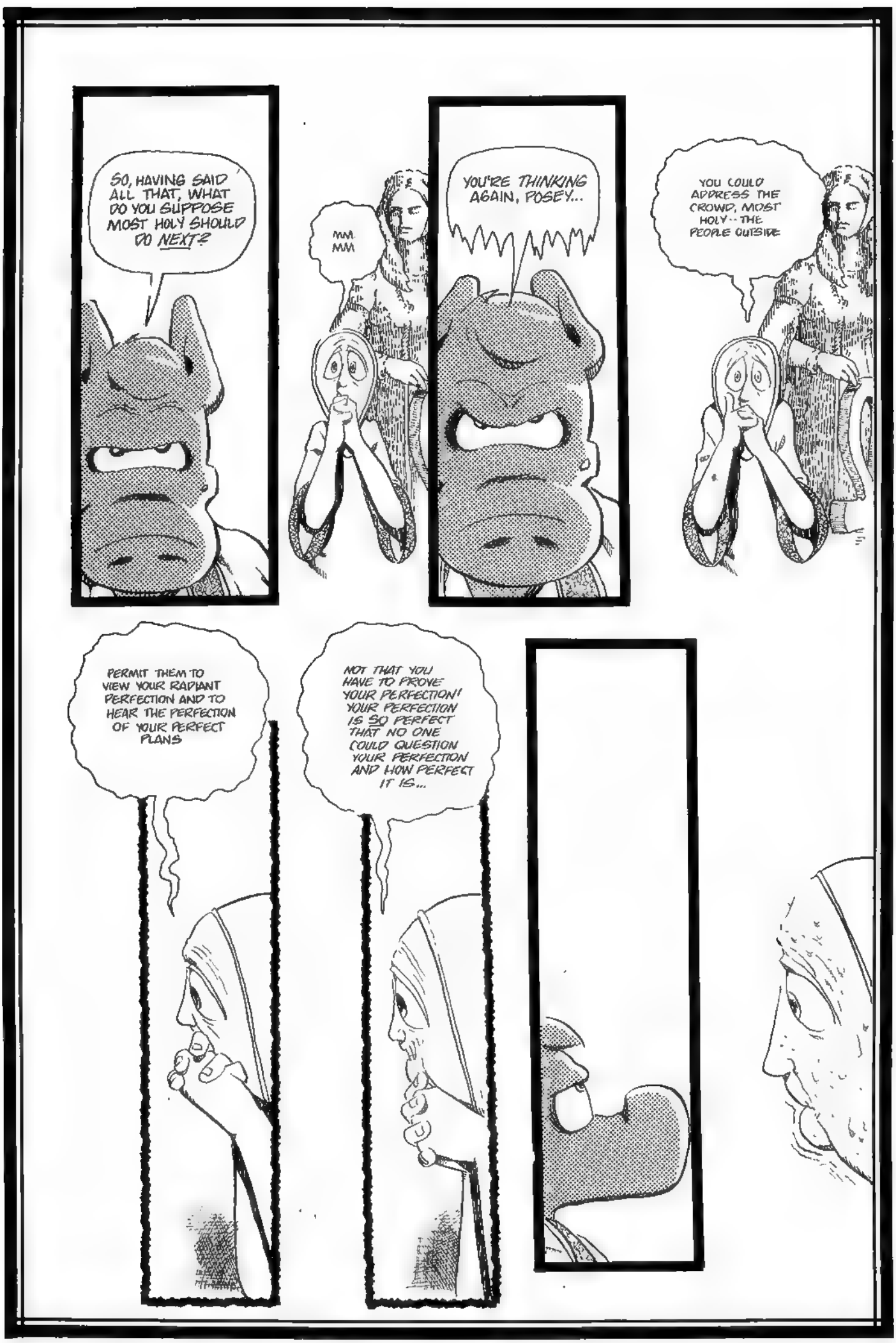

YOU DON'T HAVE ANY... OBJECTIONS... TO SIGNING THE LETTER, DO YOU...
...MY SON?
OBJECTIONS?
NO, NO... NONE THAT I CAN THINK OF.. MMM MM.
..OFFHAND
HERE'S SOME MONEY.. GIVE THIS TO ONE OF THE COURIERS AND TELL THEM MOST HOLY WANTS IT DELIVERED TODAY...
COME ALONG, MY SON...
WE HAVE TO DISCUSS YOUR FUTURE...
IF THERE'S ANY CHANGE, C'N I BUY SOMETHIN' T'EAT?
NO.
OKAY.

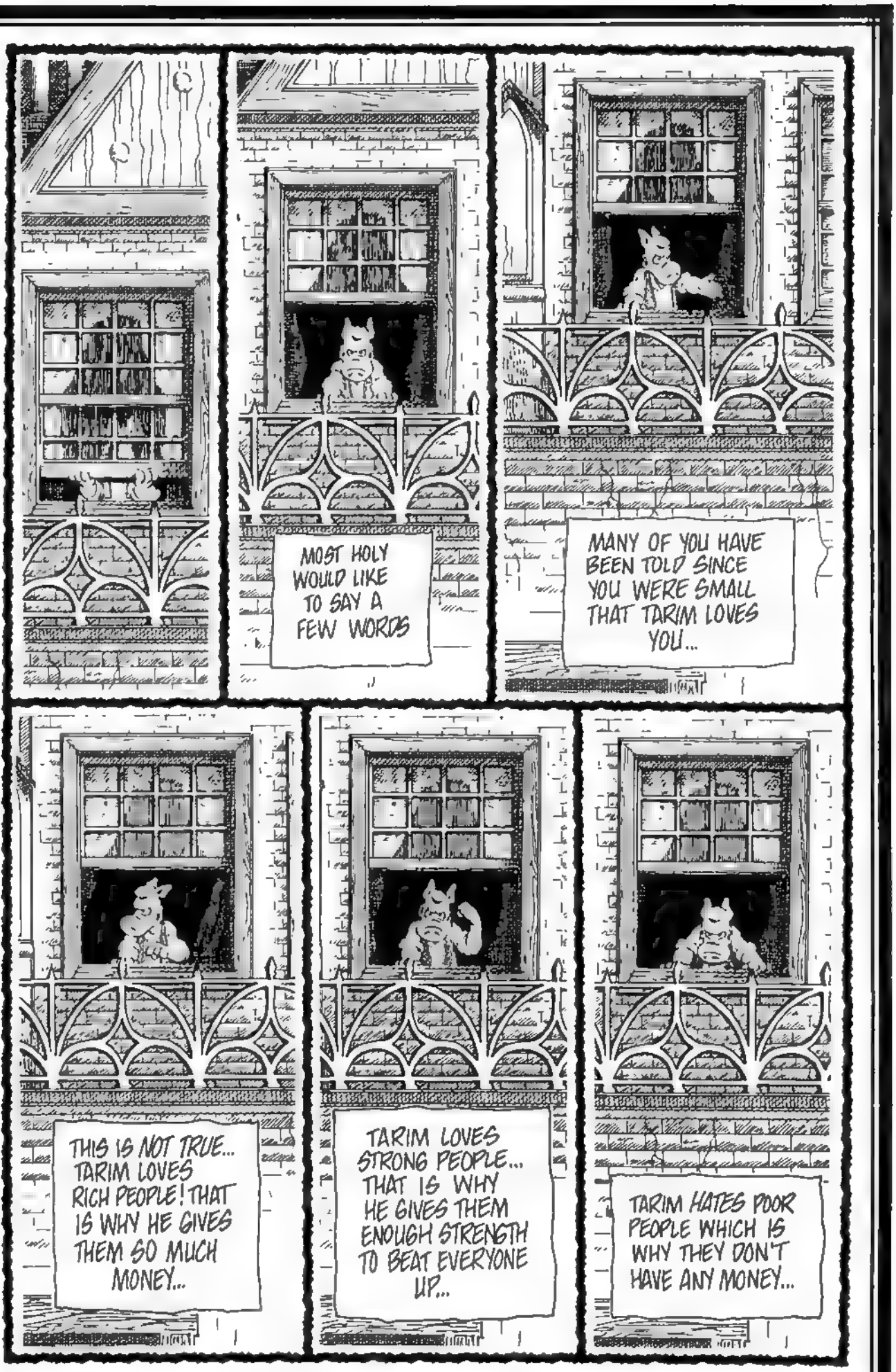

MOST HOLY HAS A LOT OF HARD WORK AHEAD OF HIM, POSEY
MOST HOLY IS GOING TO GET THE WESTERN CHURCH OUT OF THIS CITY...
TO DO THAT, MOST HOLY IS GOING TO NEED THE SUPPORT OF HIS PEOPLE-- DO YOU KNOW WHO MOST HOLY'S PEOPLE ARE, POSEY?
THE POOR AND THE DISENFRANCHISED?
EVERYONE WHO THINKS MOST HOLY IS PERFECT AND WHO WILL OBEY HIS EVERY COMMAND WITHOUT QUESTION...
MAKE SENSE, POSEY. YOU CAN'T CONQUER SQUAT WITH THE POOR AND DISENFRANCHISED.

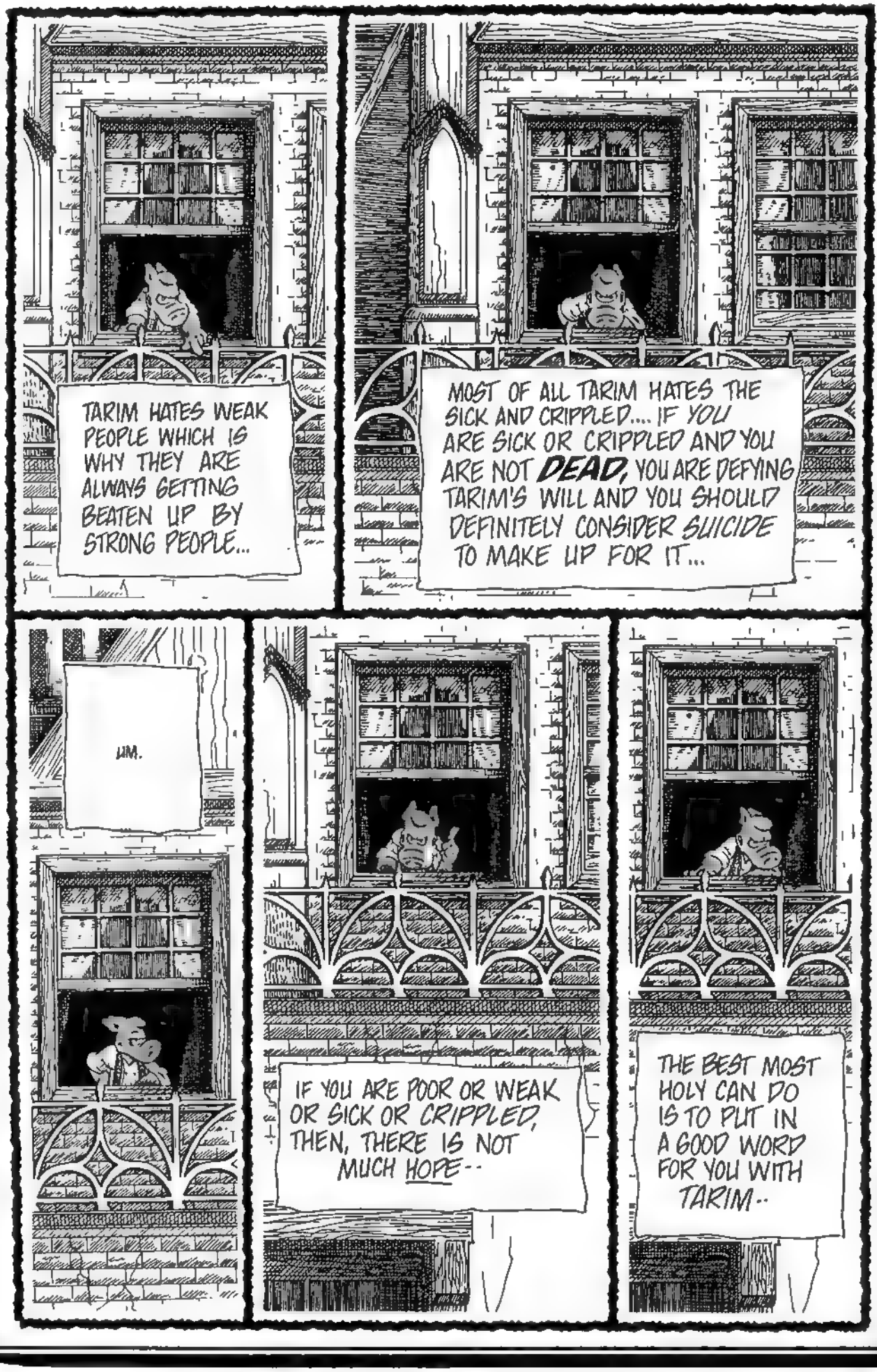

YOU SEE POSEY, MOST HOLY KEPT TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHY HE COULDN'T GET ANYTHING DONE AS PRIME MINISTER
AND THEN IT HIT MOST HOLY ...
MOST HOLY WAS SURROUNDED BY PEOPLE WHO HAD THEIR OWN IDEAS ... PEOPLE WHO WERE THINKING ALL THE TIME
AS A RESULT, THEY DIDN'T REALIZE MOST HOLY IS PERFECT
SO NOW THAT MOST HOLY IS OFFICIALLY PERFECT, MOST HOLY WANTS FOLLOWERS WHO DON'T THINK
IN THE CASE OF BEAR AND BOOBAH, IT'S EASY BECAUSE THEY HAVE VERY SMALL BRAINS ...
IN YOUR CASE IT'S EASY BECAUSE YOU KNOW THAT THINKING WILL GET YOU CHOPPED UP INTO BITE-SIZE BITS

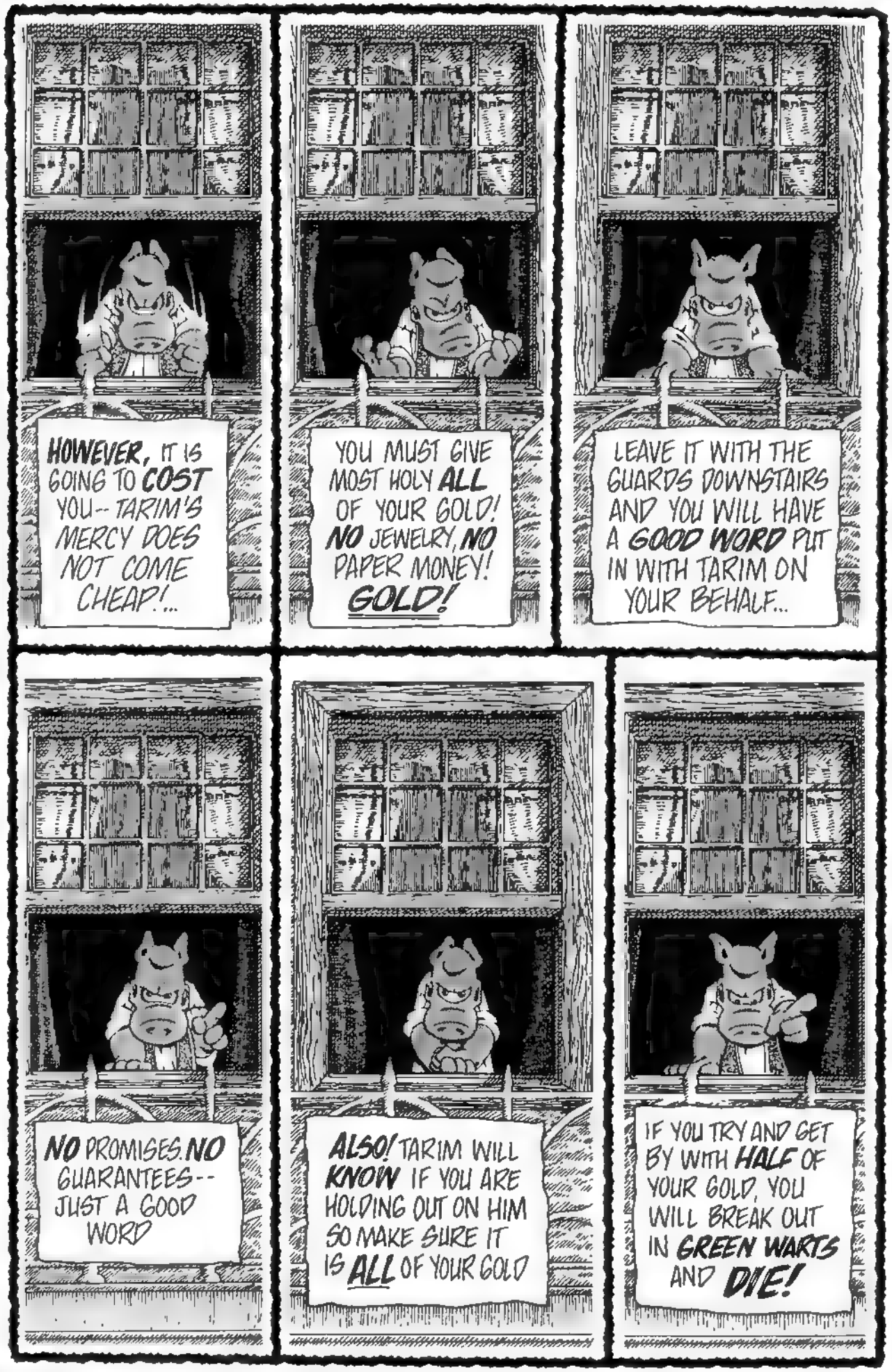

SO, HAVING SAID ALL THAT, WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE MOST HOLY SHOULD DO NEXT?
MM-MM
YOU'RE THINKING AGAIN, POSEY...
YOU COULD ADDRESS THE CROWD, MOST HOLY -- THE PEOPLE OUTSIDE
PERMIT THEM TO VIEW YOUR RADIANT PERFECTION AND TO HEAR THE PERFECTION OF YOUR PERFECT PLANS
NOT THAT YOU HAVE TO PROVE YOUR PERFECTION! YOUR PERFECTION IS SO PERFECT THAT NO ONE COULD QUESTION YOUR PERFECTION AND HOW PERFECT IT IS...

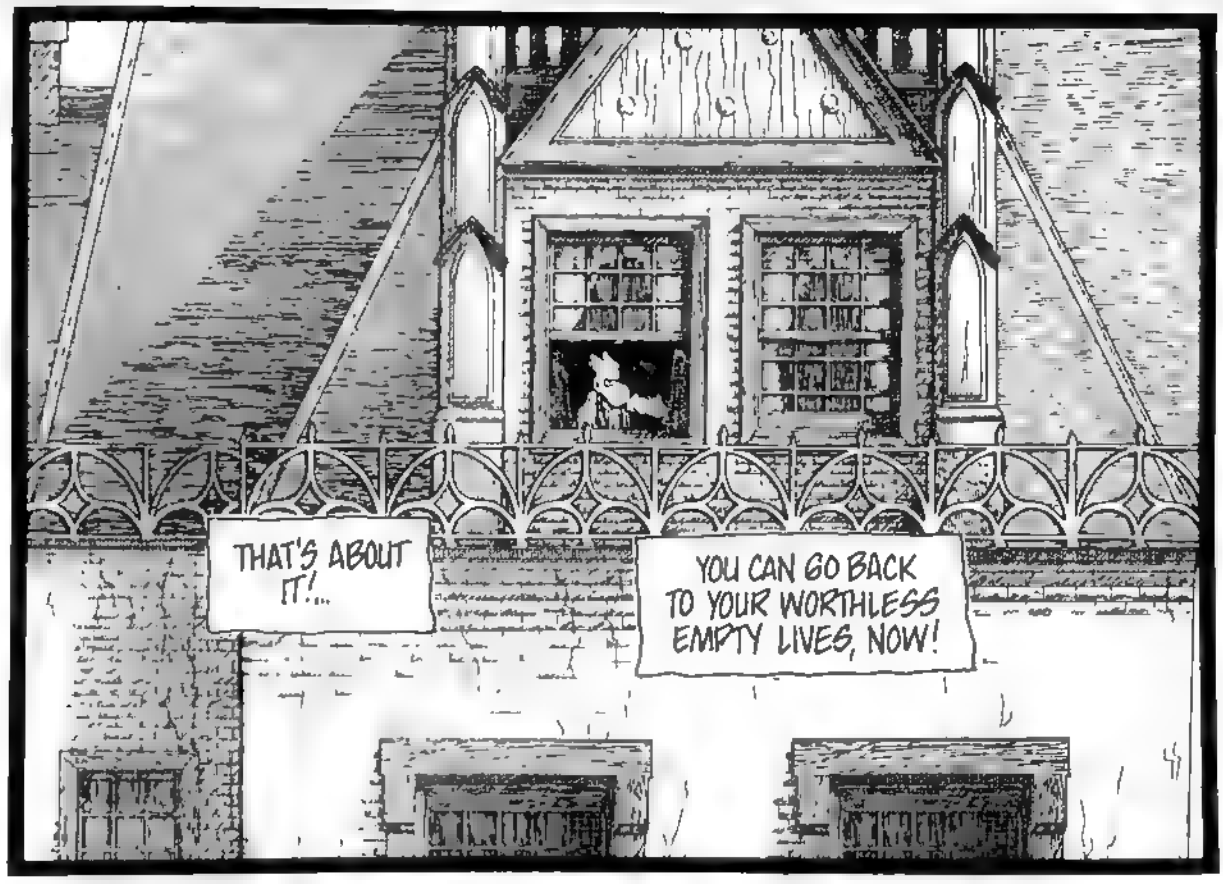
THAT'S A VERY GOOD SUGGESTION. MOST HOLY LIKES THAT.
THANKYOUOHMERCIFUL TAKEMYFORAIDING YOUR OBEDIENTSERVANT IN HISHOUROF TRIAL ANDGREATESTNEED
I JUST FEEL, LORD DRASER THAT I SHOULDN'T BE HERE DRINKING... WINE... WITH ONE OF MY FATHER'S OLDEST AND DEAREST FRIENDS
IT ISN'T ...RIGHT SOMEHOW..
WHY, YOU SILLY GOOSE. WHAT COULD POSSIBLY BE WRONG?
NOW--IF I WERE TO...
KNOW

WHO IS IT?
IT'S THE POPE.
PING!
DO THOSE WINDOWS FACE OUT THE FRONT?
MOST HOLY PLEASE =SOB= I DIDN'T KNOW SHE WAS MY BEST FRIEND'S DAUGHTER...
I DIDN'T KNOW SHE WAS ONLY FOURTEEN
=SOB= FORGIVE ME MOST HOLY
NO.
MOST HOLY CONDEMNS YOU TO SPEND ALL OF ETERNITY HIP-DEEP IN MOLTEN LEAD...
=SOB SOB SOB=


MOST HOLY WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS
MANY OF YOU HAVE BEEN TOLD SINCE YOU WERE SMALL THAT TARIM LOVES YOU...
THIS IS NOT TRUE... TARIM LOVES RICH PEOPLE! THAT IS WHY HE GIVES THEM SO MUCH MONEY...
TARIM LOVES STRONG PEOPLE... THAT IS WHY HE GIVES THEM ENOUGH STRENGTH TO BEAT EVERYONE UP...
TARIM HATES POOR PEOPLE WHICH IS WHY THEY DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY...


TARIM HATES WEAK PEOPLE WHICH IS WHY THEY ARE ALWAYS GETTING BEATEN UP BY STRONG PEOPLE...
MOST OF ALL TARIM HATES THE SICK AND CRIPPLED.... IF YOU ARE SICK OR CRIPPLED AND YOU ARE NOT DEAD, YOU ARE DEFYING TARIM'S WILL AND YOU SHOULD DEFINITELY CONSIDER SUICIDE TO MAKE UP FOR IT...
UM.
IF YOU ARE POOR OR WEAK OR SICK OR CRIPPLED, THEN, THERE IS NOT MUCH HOPE--
THE BEST MOST HOLY CAN DO IS TO PUT IN A GOOD WORD FOR YOU WITH TARIM--


HOWEVER, IT IS GOING TO COST YOU-- TARIM'S MERCY DOES NOT COME CHEAP!...
YOU MUST GIVE MOST HOLY ALL OF YOUR GOLD! NO JEWELRY, NO PAPER MONEY! GOLD!
LEAVE IT WITH THE GUARDS DOWNSTAIRS AND YOU WILL HAVE A GOOD WORD PUT IN WITH TARIM ON YOUR BEHALF...
NO PROMISES. NO GUARANTEES-- JUST A GOOD WORD
ALSO! TARIM WILL KNOW IF YOU ARE HOLDING OUT ON HIM SO MAKE SURE IT IS ALL OF YOUR GOLD
IF YOU TRY AND GET BY WITH HALF OF YOUR GOLD, YOU WILL BREAK OUT IN GREEN WARTS AND DIE!



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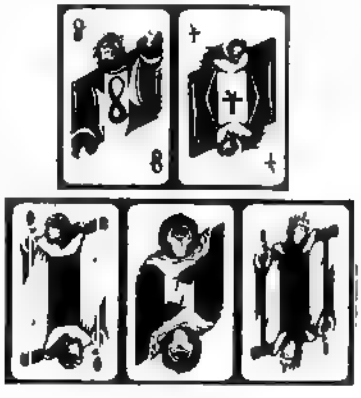

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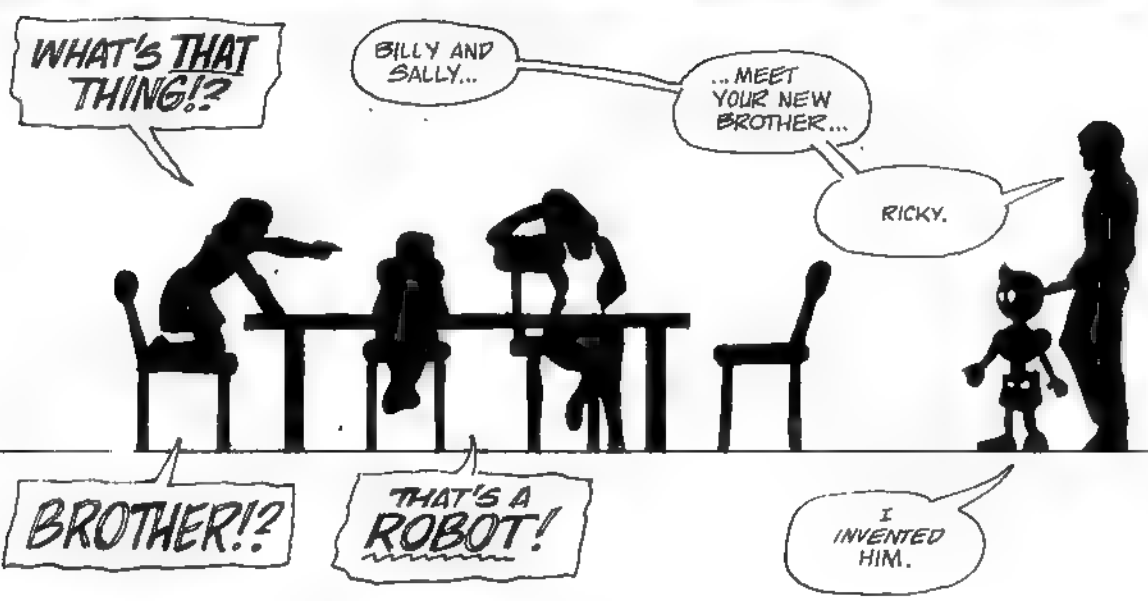

OUR... BROTHER?
DAD AND I ARE GOING TO LEGALLY ADOPT DEAR RICKY ...
YOU'RE KIDDING...
YOU'RE JOKING...
I'M-SO-HAPPY-I-HOPE-YOU-ARE GLAD-TOO!
GLAD!? TO BE THE SISTER OF A HUNK OF TIN!?
THIS IS A HORRID NIGHTMARE
SOB...
SALLY! COME BACK HERE AT ONCE...
BILLY, HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT HAVING A ROBOT BROTHER? ...
LOUSY! HOW DO YOU THINK MY FRIENDS WILL ACT WHEN I SAY...
MEET MY BROTHER ...
THE ROBOT
HAW HAW! BILLY'S THE BROTHER OF FRANKENSTEIN!
FAITH
HAW! HAW!
YOU CAN TAKE THAT ROBOT FREAK ...
AND SHOOT HIM UP TO THE MOON -- I HOPE HE STAYS THERE
HE IS NOT MY BROTHER! OR SALLY'S BROTHER ...
...AND HE NEVER WILL BE
CHOKE

I-I'M-SORRY MOM-AND-DAD
MAYBE-IT-WOULD-BE BEST-FOR-EVERYBODY -IF-DAD-TOOK-ME-BACK-DOWN-INTO-THE-CELLAR-LAB...
...AND-PUT-ME-INTO -A-COMPRESSOR-MACHINE-AND...
CRUSHED-ME-INTO A-MINDLESS-MASS-OF OF-
SCRAP-METAL
YOU'D-FORGET-ME! THEN YOU-AND-SALLY-AND-BILLY -COULD-LIVE-HAPPILY-EVER-AFTER!
NO!!
OR-YOU-COULD-DEMOTE-ME! INSTEAD-OF-BEING -A-MEMBER-OF-THE-FAMILY...
I-COULD-BE-YOUR-SERVANT
I-COULD-COOK-! SWEEP! WASH-WINDOWS!-TAKE-OUT-GARBAGE-

NEVER!
WE LOVE YOU...
I'M-METAL ... NOT-HUMAN.
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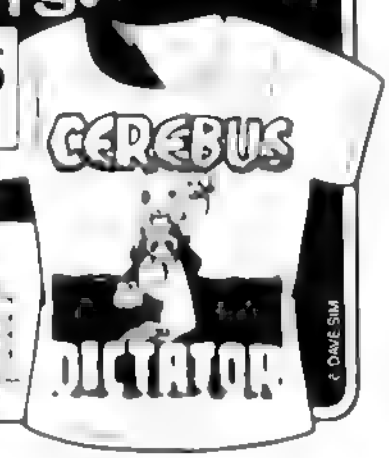

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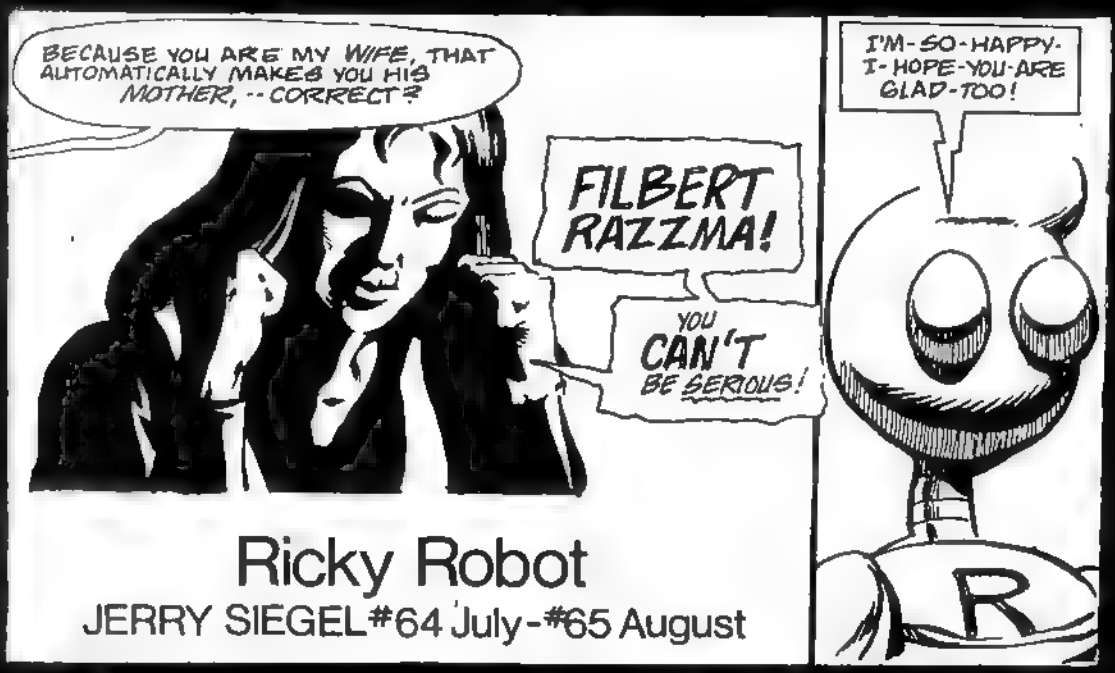
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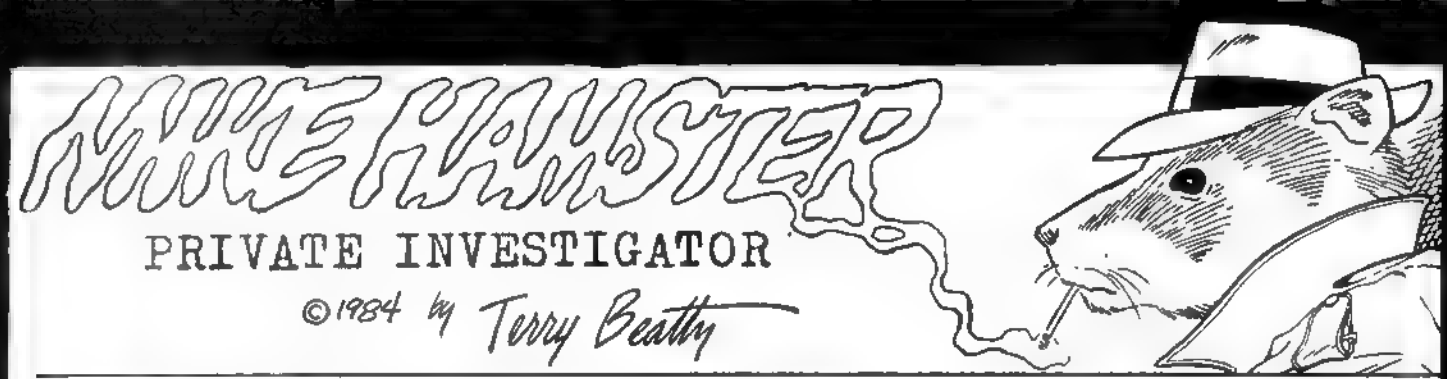

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Hey, kids! How about **this?** A letters page with no letters! Wow, that's what creative freedom is all about, right? Oh, yeah? Well same to you.

Petunia

The Riot at the Hyatt Boys. From left to right, Gino Arbucci (keeping the Bacardi people in business), Gerhard (keeping Dan from falling over backwards), Dan Vado (keeping going, but just barely), Dave Sim (keeping an eye on the lady behind the camera) and Valentino (keeping normal, but just barely).

photo by Corey Marder

Left to right, Valentino who took up smoking at my request for this photo, Dan Vado held upright this time by Corey, Dave Sim with his arms around Corey and Gino (decisions, decisions), Gino in a terribly shallow introspective mood and Corey Marder (keeping her eye on the guy behind the camera).

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photo by "Flash" Sienkiewicz

A very happy moment captured on film. The gentleman I, so presumptuously have my arm around is none other than the legendary Jack Kirby. Jack Kirby has his legendary arm around Colleen ("A Distant Soil") Doran and Colleen has her arm part way around the equally legendary Julius Schwartz. Coincidentally, none of these people work for Marvel Comics.

photo by "Flash" Sienkiewicz

Here I am perched precariously on the edge of a flower bed, trying to pump Colleen Doran for information about Warp Graphics' intention to rule the Western Hemisphere by 1986. Richard and Wendy will be pleased to know that aside from a few careless remarks about amphibious landings, Ms. Doran cracked not a whit.

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